

Cooper Beasley House
(old Beasley Place)
Old St. Stephens Road
Mt. Vernon, Alabama

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THE BEASLEY PLACE.
Old St. Stephens Road,
Mt. Vernon, Mobile County, Alabama.

Ownership:

Present Owner: Mrs. Mary J. Beasley.

Previous Owners: John Albert Cooper.

Date of Erection: 1830 - 1835.

Architect: Unknown.

Builder: Unknown.

Present Condition: Good.

Number of Stories: One.

Materials of Construction: One story frame; dog run type; exterior walls are of rough sawed timber, dovetailed at corners with wood siding; interior ceiled; doors are of vertical beaded boards and batten; large open fireplaces and exterior chimneys.

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Additional Data: In 1859, John Albert Cooper moved to Mt. Vernon from Richmond, Virginia, having been sent as a supervisor of workmen at the Mt. Vernon Arsenal, where he supervised the manufacture of powder etc., during the Civil War 1860 - 1865. In 1865 owners of this house and land were in financial difficulties, as a result of the war and John Albert Cooper bought the property; the property is now owned by Mrs. Mary J. Beasley, who has occupied this house for 72 years. Mrs. Beasley is the daughter of the late John Albert Cooper.

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